105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4867

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 20, 1998

Mr. Gibbons (for himself and Mr. Ensign) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. CONVEYANCE OF BLM LAND TO PAHRUMP, NE-
- 4 VADA.
- 5 (a) CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.—The Secretary of the
- 6 Interior shall promptly convey to the town of Pahrump,
- 7 Nevada (in this section referred to as the "Town"), with-
- 8 out consideration, all right, title, and interest of the
- 9 United States in and to the real property described in sub-
- 10 section (b), subject to this section.

(b) Property Described.—

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- 2 (1) In General.—The real property referred 3 to in subsection (a) consists of 4 parcels of land lo-4 cated in Pahrump, Nevada, that are described in the 5 Application for Land for Recreation or Public Pur-6 poses that was submitted by the town of Pahrump 7 to the Bureau of Land Management and dated Feb-8 ruary 11, 1997, consisting of a total of approximately 875 acres. 9
- 10 (2) Determination by Secretary.—The
 11 Secretary of the Interior may determine more par12 ticularly the real property described in paragraph
 13 (1).
- 14 (3) SURVEY.—The exact acreage and legal de-15 scription of property conveyed under this section 16 shall be determined by a survey satisfactory to the 17 Secretary. The cost of the survey shall be borne by 18 the town.
- 19 (c) CONDITION OF CONVEYANCE.—Any conveyance 20 under subsection (a) shall be subject to the condition that 21 the town shall use the interests conveyed solely for the 22 purpose of development and operation of a public recre-23 ation complex.
- 24 (1) Compliance with laws.—Before the date 25 of the conveyance, actions required with respect to

- 1 the conveyance under the National Environmental
- 2 Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), the
- 3 Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et
- 4 seq.), the National Historic Preservation Act (16
- 5 U.S.C. 470 et seq.), and other applicable Federal
- 6 laws must be completed at no cost to the United
- 7 States.
- 8 (2) Additional terms and conditions.—
- 9 Such additional terms and conditions as the Sec-
- 10 retary considers appropriate to protect the interests
- of the United States.
- 12 (d) Effect of Conveyance on Liability Under
- 13 CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.—After the conveyance
- 14 required by subsection (a), the United States Government
- 15 shall not be responsible for compliance with, or liable for
- 16 costs or damages under, the Comprehensive Environ-
- 17 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of
- 18 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), the Solid Waste Disposal
- 19 Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.), or any other applicable pro-
- 20 vision of Federal law, with respect to a release or threat
- 21 of release of a hazardous substance, pollutant, contami-
- 22 nant, or hazardous waste on the property conveyed under
- 23 this section.